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                 **Serial No.:**      10/741,532  
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Re: Patent Application Serial No. 10/741,532 for "Process for Preparing  
Hydrogenated Conjugated Diene Block Copolymers"  
Inventor: Kimberly Ann Johnson  
Filing Date: December 19, 2003  
Attorney Docket No.: KPR-W0011

Dear Sir:

Please find the following enclosed documents:

1. Response to Office Action Mailed December 2, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit KRATON Polymers U.S. LLC Deposit Account No. 50-1951 for the fees necessitated with the filing of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re application of )

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Serial No. 10/741,532 )

Filed: December 19, 2003 )

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PROCESS FOR PREPARING  
HYDROGENATED CONJUGATED  
DIENE BLOCK COPOLYMERS )Group Art Unit 1713  
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 2, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the response and reconsideration of the claims pending in this application for the reasons set forth below.

Applicants petition the commissioner for a one month extension of time for reply.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for one month extension (\$120) and any other required fees or credits for any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1951 (KPR-W0011).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.